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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2000, Applicants hereby elect the species as illustrated in original Figures 1-3, for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 1, 4-7, 9, and 11-14 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 CFR 1.141, upon allowance of any claim that is generic.

Additionally, an English translation of JA '813 is again supplied at the request of the Examiner. The undersigned's file indicates that the translation was submitted with the previous response, and that was certainly the Applicants' intention.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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